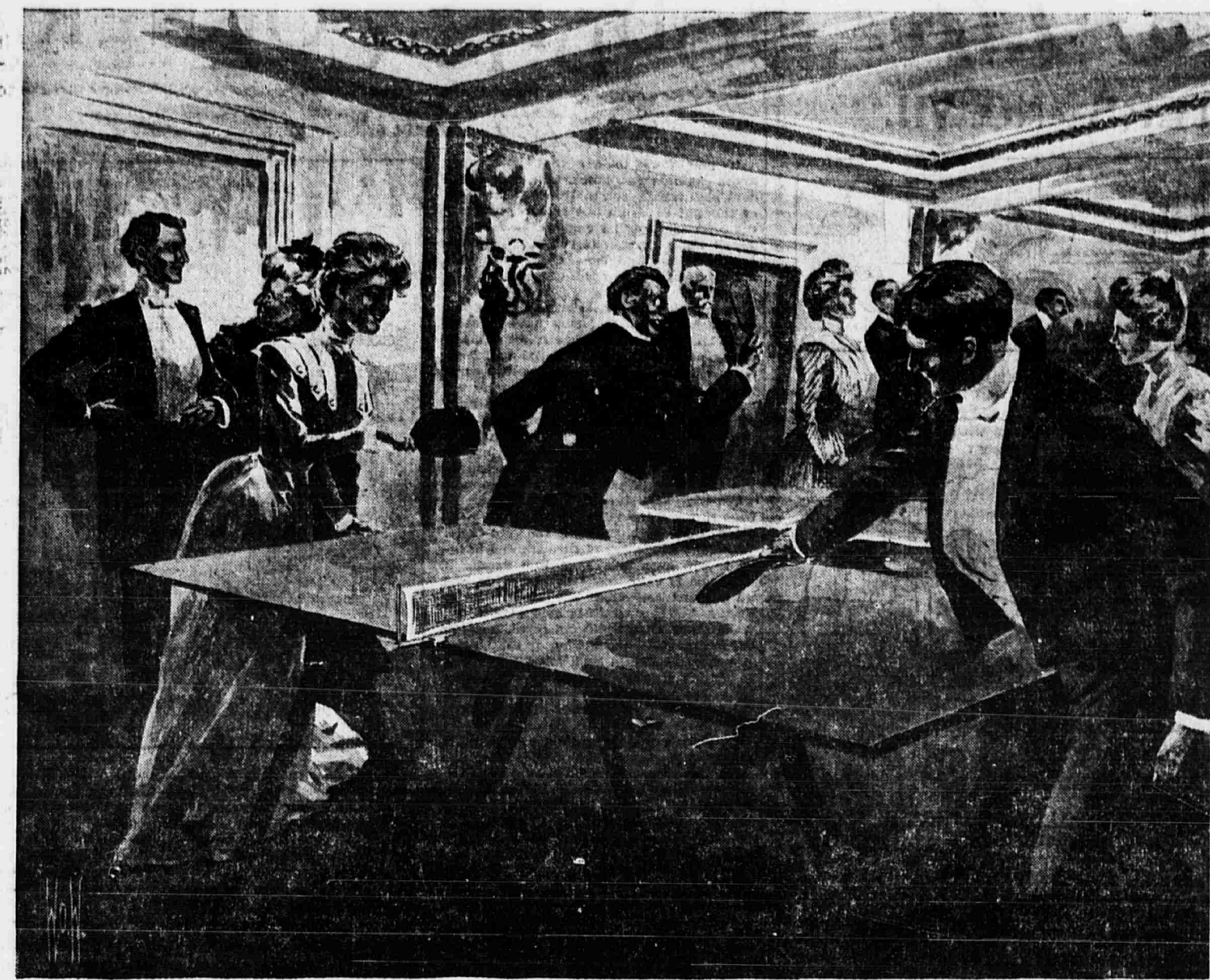


# BIG HOTELS SELDOM QUIET FROM RATTLE OF THE PING-PONG BALL.

Waldorf-Astoria Said to Be the Greatest Place on Earth for the Game—Billiards Relegated to Practical Obscurity—Handsome Women at Their Best Under Excitement of the Sport.



## LET OTHERS KNOW.

Ping-pong players are requested to send to the Ping-Pong Editor, Evening World, accounts of tournaments, announcements of coming contests, special matches, unusual scores and other matters of interest.

"I got no rest," was the plaint of the attendant in the Waldorf-Astoria ping-pong gallery last night.

It seemed very probable. The gallery was the busiest place in the bustling hotel, and the attendant seemed quite the busiest man in the Waldorf's blue livery. When he was not making change he was picking up balls, which were everywhere. But that was not what he objected to—it was the hours.

Last night was just like all the other nights, he said. When he spoke the seven tables were all in use, three couples were waiting for chances to play and half a dozen others had gone away disappointed. The attendant said it was like that from seven to twelve every night and from noon to five o'clock every afternoon, and that in addition there were games going all the other hours.

**Begin in Early Morning.**  
Ping-pong begins as early as 9 o'clock in the morning at the Waldorf. It beats billiards in awakening by three hours. Ping-pong has not said "good-night" until 1 o'clock every evening since it was started. It stays up three hours later than pool.

"Some of the players would stay

## DAILY PING-PONG SCENE AT THE WALDORF-ASTORIA.

later," said the attendant. "But the hotel closes at 1 o'clock in the morning. They are back here before any one comes on duty in the morning."

"If we put up enough tables to accommodate the demand," said another employee of the house, "we should have to fill the cafe with ping-pong."

Men who have played ping-pong

abroad say that the Waldorf's ping-pong gallery is the most remarkable place for the public play of ping-pong that exists in any country.

**Not Altogether Selegenine.**

Some of these travelers ones declare that no one really plays ping-pong at the Waldorf-Astoria. And, as a matter of fact, most of the patrons of that gallery play something that is only a colorable imitation of the game. You can see more kinds of serves, returns and half volleys in the Waldorf than in any other place in the country, and probably in the world. The rules of the game are hung on the wall in a gilt frame that is very ornamental. But they might as well be out in the street. Anything that sends a ball anywhere is ping-pong in the Waldorf. The owners of the trademark might well protest against its desecration by these folk in evening dress who serve over their shoulders and volley the ball without a qualm.

But if one does not know too much about the game one can spend a pleasant evening watching the handsomely

gowned women and the men in evening dress.

**All at Their Sweetest.**

At the Waldorf one can best see how becoming ping-pong is to a woman. The fair ones in evening gowns, with the slight flush of exercise on their cheeks and the glow of animated interest in their eyes, are the prettiest. It is doubtful if any one of them ever appears to be more advantage.

To break the regularity of things,

every few moments a lost ball goes

"ping-pong," "ping-pong," down the marble stairs. That is not the only loss there, however, for every man walks away absent-mindedly with a ball in his pocket.

There is other ping-pong in the Waldorf than in the gallery. In several of the more pretentious suites their occupants have broad, green tables and they put the feather-weight ball back and forth. Men whose names are great in the financial and commercial worlds play the game in their own apartments for recreation after a hard day in office.

Only occasionally do these stray into the public parlor. But the crowd there is brilliant enough without them, for most of those in it are of the younger set in society. Many are the names familiar in the "dailies" that one hears about the ping-pong gallery.

**The Same Elsewhere.**

The scene at the Waldorf is duplicated every evening at the Savoy, the Majestic, the Netherlands, the Buckingham and half a dozen other hotels, where ping-pong parlors are in full swing. Two ping-pong wizards met yesterday in a Nassau street establishment, when R. Townly Bryan and Horace Brown played against each other for the first time. Bryan is a tennis player with some minor championships to his credit, and he had not been beaten up to the time he met Brown. The latter is the star player of the Yale club. Very evenly matched they were, and it was the regret of all the crowd that saw their play that they contested only one match.

Bryan is seemingly the more resourceful player. He chances the placing of the ball and its speed at practically every stroke. But Brown is the steadier man with a better command over the ball. These qualities won in scores of 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

Each of these players can deliver a cannon-ball serve that would scare a beginner away from the table. And each can meet that serve. That kind of play provided neither of them yesterday, so they quieted down to steady, hard play.

**Four Hands Amusing.**

In response to an inquiry from "B. C. D." about four-handed games, it may be said that players who are not too conscientious about being scientific can get ten times as much fun out of a four-handed time than any other form of ping-pong.

If one follows the books, he will stretch a tape lengthwise of the table, pinning it at each end, and thereafter each of the four players will take only such balls as fall in his quarter of the table. By that method there is no interference, and a game that is an improvement on the two-handed can be played.

But to get all the sport possible out of four-handed play, it is necessary to

throw away the books. Then the four players should use but two rackets, one at each end. The instant one player has used the partnership racket in returning a ball he lays it down at the middle of the table. It is then grabbed by his partner to return the next ball, wherever it may come. He in turn lays it on the table for his partner. There is more excitement and exercise and noise in that form of ping-pong than in a visit to a busy boiler factory.

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